

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-22. (canceled)

23. **(currently amended)** The retaining member as claimed in claim [[22]] 27, wherein each said arm extends laterally away from said base portion and obliquely upwardly away from said resilient contact portion, whereby the recess and the elongated element held therein can be placed further from the support than said base portion, avoiding undesired contact and vibration transmission between the elongated element and the support.

24. **(currently amended)** The retaining member as claimed in claim 23, wherein

~~said holding portion comprises two said arms extending from laterally opposite sides of said base portion;~~

each said arm has a lower surface which is flat and slanted upwardly from the underside of said base portion; and

the lower surfaces of said arm are slanted at an obtuse angle relative to each other.

25-26. (canceled)

27. **(currently amended)** An one-piece retaining member for holding and supporting an elongated element from a support, said one-piece retaining member consisting of a single body which comprises:

a holding portion being attachable to the support and comprising a recess for holding the elongated element therein, said holding portion having an underside adapted to face the support when said holding portion is attached to the support; and

a resilient contact portion disposed on the underside of said holding portion to define a lowermost portion of said retaining member, said resilient contact portion being adapted to be placed between said holding portion and the support and to bear against the support when said holding portion is attached to the support, thereby minimizing vibration transmission from said holding portion to the support;

wherein

said holding portion comprises

a base portion which is adapted to be attached to the support and on which said resilient contact portion is disposed; and

at least an arm extending laterally from said base portion, said arm having therein the recess for holding the elongated element;

said holding portion comprises two said arms extending from laterally opposite sides of said base portion;

said base portion comprises a lower opening for receiving therein a pin of the support;

said resilient contact portion comprises two resilient contact elements disposed on diametrically opposed sides of said opening; and

~~The retaining member as claimed in claim 26, wherein~~ each of said resilient contact elements has a convex lower surface extending from a lowermost point upwardly in

opposite directions towards said arms.

28. **(currently amended)** The retaining member as claimed in claim [[26]] 27, wherein

said base portion further comprises an annular, downwardly extending wall which extends circumferentially of said lower opening and is positioned between said resilient contact elements, and

a height of said annular wall is smaller than that of said resilient contact elements, whereby said annular wall may contact, in use, the support only after sufficient compression of said resilient contact elements.

29. **(previously presented)** The retaining member as claimed in claim 28, wherein said annular wall has, in a longitudinal direction of said arms, an extent greater than that of said resilient contact elements.

30-31. (canceled)

32. **(currently amended)** The retaining member as claimed in claim [[21]] 27, wherein said holding portion and said resilient contact portion are made of the same plastic material, said resilient contact portion comprising a non-rigid feature which gives said resilient contact portion a spring constant lower than that of said holding portion.

33. **(currently amended)** The retaining member as claimed in claim [[21]] 27, wherein said holding portion is made of a harder material and said resilient contact portion is made of a softer material, said harder and softer material being integrally molded

into the single body of said one-piece retaining member.

34. **(currently amended)** The retaining member as claimed in claim [[21]] 27, wherein said recess includes a resilient lining connected with said resilient contact portion by a connecting element made of the material of said lining.

35. **(currently amended)** The retaining member as claimed in claim [[21]] 27, wherein said recess includes a resilient lining connected with said resilient contact portion by a connecting element, and wherein said lining, resilient contact portion and connecting element are all made of the same material.

36. **(previously presented)** The retaining member as claimed in claim 35, wherein the material of said lining, resilient contact portion and connecting element is softer than that of said holding portion.

37-39. (canceled)

40. **(currently amended)** A retaining member for holding and supporting an elongated element from a support, said retaining member comprising:

a holding portion being made of a harder material, being attachable to the support, and comprising a recess for holding the elongated element therein; and

a resilient contact portion being made of a softer material, being disposed on an underside of said holding portion, and being adapted to be placed between said holding portion and the support and to bear against the support when said holding portion is attached to the support, thereby minimizing vibration transmission from said holding

portion to the support;

wherein

said recess includes a resilient lining connected with said resilient contact portion by a connecting element;

said lining, resilient contact portion and connecting element are all made of said softer material;

said connecting element extends through a thickness of the harder material of said holding portion, and is continuous to both the lining, which is disposed at an upside of said holding portion, and the resilient contact portion, which is disposed at the underside of said holding portion; and

~~The retaining member as claimed in claim 39, wherein~~

said holding portion comprises

a base portion which is adapted to be attached to the support and on which said resilient contact portion is disposed; and

two arms extending laterally from opposite sides of said base portion, each said arm including at least one said recess and the resilient lining of said recess; and

the linings of the recesses of said arms are connected to said resilient contact portion by two said connecting elements which are slanted with respect to each other and define a V shape.

41. **(currently amended)** A retaining member for holding and supporting an elongated element from a support, said retaining member comprising:

a holding portion being made of a harder material, being attachable to the support, and comprising a recess for holding the elongated element therein; and

a resilient contact portion being made of a softer material, being disposed on an underside of said holding portion, and being adapted to be placed between said holding portion and the support and to bear against the support when said holding portion is attached to the support, thereby minimizing vibration transmission from said holding portion to the support;

wherein

said recess includes a resilient lining connected with said resilient contact portion by a connecting element;

said lining, resilient contact portion and connecting element are all made of said softer material;

said connecting element extends through a thickness of the harder material of said holding portion, and is continuous to both the lining, which is disposed at an upperside of said holding portion, and the resilient contact portion, which is disposed at the underside of said holding portion; and

~~The retaining member as claimed in claim 39, wherein~~

said holding portion comprises

a base portion which is adapted to be attached to the support and on which said resilient contact portion is disposed; and

at least one arm extending laterally from a side of said base portion,

said arm including two said recesses and the resilient linings of said recesses;

said recesses are connected with each other by a bridge portion spaced upwardly from said arm; and

the linings of said two recesses are connected with each other by an auxiliary connecting element which is made of said softer material and embedded in said bridge portion.